

REMARKS

Claims 1-8 remain in this application. Reconsideration of the application is requested.

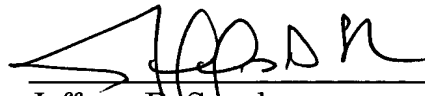
Independent claim 1 is rejected, along with dependent claims 2-8, as being anticipated by U.S. Patent 6,330,499 to Chou et al. Reconsideration is requested. Currently amended claim 1 more particularly reflects the manner in which desired messages may be communicated to respective users from sites at which working machines are arranged according to the invention. It is respectfully submitted that the system forming the subject matter of the Chou et al. patent does not constitute a communication system for working machines comprising a control station as presently required by claim 1. Although the diagnostic server 201, identified as a control station by the Examiner, has access to certain data related to the vehicle such as as-built, history, diagnostics, warranty, service information, and failure mode data, nothing in the Chou et al. patent disclosure suggests that the server 201 is provided with terminal information and customer information databases as now specified by claim 1 or with terminal identification and selection modules operating as claim 1 now requires. Claim 1 as it appears above, therefore, not anticipated by the Chou et al. patent.

Nothing suggests that the Chou et al. system should be modified to include a control station as claim 1 presently defines, moreover, and it is respectfully submitted that claim 1 is patentable. The rest of the claims in this application depend on claim 1 and are considered patentable as well.

It is respectfully submitted that this application is now in condition for allowance. If there are any questions regarding this amendment or the application in general, a telephone call to the undersigned would be appreciated since this should expedite the prosecution of the application for all concerned.

Respectfully submitted,

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